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MARCH 8, 1965

Election rally and debate Wednesday

Student Senate elections will be held from 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. Wednesday and Thursday. Two voting machines will be on the second floor, one in the student lounge and the other in the cafeteria.

Culminating the campaign will be an election rally and debate Wednesday, in Altgeld Hall, where students can hear the views of candidates seeking office.

Last Wednesday Senate passed a motion to hold a rally and debate instead of the election mixer, also under consideration.

Candidates for Senate president are Carmon Dunigan and Joel Goldstein. Vice-presidential candidates are Mayer Eisenstein, Hillel Kliers, and Richard Zeidman.

On the Students for an Active Senate ticket, headed by Dunigan and Eisenstein, are Martin Bloom, Leonard Lebovitz, David Schlack, Pierre Vidoni, Carol White, and Lynn Wilson.

Goldstein and Kliers lead the Students for a Democratic Senate. Other candidates on the ticket are Eileen Chanenson, Daniel Levitan, and Jerry Ledsky.

The remaining candidates are running independently. Robert Cohen, Shelly Smith, and John Piscopo are running for senatorial positions; and Richard Zeidman is running for the vice-presidential office.

Six representatives at large will be elected for one-year terms. One representative will be elected for a half-year to fill out Senator Martin Blumsack's term.

However, if either Dunigan, Kliers, or Zeidman is elected, their unexpired Senate terms will have to be filled by the Election Board. The Board traditionally fills the vacancies with candidates who have the highest number of votes besides the winners.

Thus, a maximum of six full-year terms and three half-year terms may be filled this week.

Remaining senators will be Carol Gilbert and Larry Siegal, whose terms expire next semester. Senators whose terms of office expire this year are Steve Bookshester, Jos Davidson, Mayer Eisenstein, Joel Goldstein, Bonnie Kantor, and Penny Schwartz.

Met Players to honor Lincoln with 'Our American Cousin'

In recognition of Abraham Lincoln's assassination centennial, the Metropolitan Players will present an adaptation of "Our American Cousin," the period comedy Lincoln was watching

when he was assassinated.

Ed Szydlik will play the swashbuckling hero from New England, who upsets the entire household of the English branch of the family while contriving the melodrama's solution. Other lead actors and actresses are Sandra Braden, James McGuire, Monte Ablin, Hyman Luder, and Elaine Simon.

Tickets for the coming Friday and Saturday performances, March 12, 13, 19, and 20, at 8:30 p.m. in Sinha Hall, are available in the student activities office and will be sold at the door. Seats are not reserved.

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Hoover to hold informal faculty-student tea

An informal faculty-student tea, sponsored by Dean of Students Arthur E. Hoover, will be held Thursday from 2 p.m. until 5 p.m. in the Sullivan Room. All students and faculty are invited.

Last Wednesday acting-President Rolf Weil held a coffee hour, during which students asked Weil, presidential assistant Daniel Perlman, and Hoover questions. Weil expressed his desire that more coffee hours will be held in the future.

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Senate candidates give platforms and purposes

By David Johnson

Presidential candidate Carmon Dunigan heads the Students for an Active Senate (SAS) ticket in the Senate elections Wednesday and Thursday. Dunigan, last semester's Senate treasurer, claims Senate has generally abused power delegated to it.

Mayer Eisenstein, SAS vice-presidential candidate, feels a massive and persistent campaign to publicize Senate activities is necessary to involve students in Senate. Eisenstein served as Senator for one semester.

SAS senatorial candidates Martin Bloom, Carol White, and Lynn Wilson concurred with Eisenstein in emphasizing a need for Senate publicity. Bloom, a business major, feels he can make an important contribution in this direction.

Miss White said, "All the organizations and Senate should be made aware of each other."

Publicity, feels Miss Wilson, should be directed toward informing students that they can attend Senate meetings and express their views.

Pierre Vidoni, SAS senatorial candidate, feels the senators are all trying, but their ideas are too divergent.

SAS candidate David Schlack, an accounting major, feels Senate frequently spent money unwisely. He said a student with accounting and business experience should be on the bookstore committee.

Constructive action

Presidential candidate Joel Goldstein, representing Students for a Democratic Senate, has

been senator for one year. He stated that a senator who is an effective leader with a definite program will direct senators toward action.

SDS vice presidential candidate Hillel Kliers, who served as senator last semester, feels the problem of a chaotic Senate "can be remedied by selecting candidates who have proven leadership ability and experience in governmental operations."

"Soon SDS wishes to begin a student-faculty seminar to establish meaningful dialogue on problems of academic reform and academic freedom," said Kliers, a political science major.

SDS senatorial candidate Daniel Levitan, political science major, would like to see Roosevelt student organizations participate in an idea exchange and joint

programs with their counterparts in other universities.

Eileen Chanenson, SDS senatorial candidate and president of the Student Zionist Organization (SZO), said she would like to see the Senate act as a unifying factor in establishing rapport between various school organizations.

Greater communication

SDS senate candidate Jerry Lidsky, who belonged to his high school senate, is interested in promoting greater communication between students and faculty, and Senate and the student body. He said better communication between senators and senate will create a more effective senate.

Independent candidate Shelly Smith, majoring in political science, would like to see Senate

concentrate on problems such as compiling a critique of local bookstore prices for incoming students.

John Piscopo, independent senatorial candidate and history major, said Senate can make use of Senate's powers by keeping money within Roosevelt, sponsoring speakers, and looking into the often promised rub pub situation.

Independent candidate Robert Cohen feels Senate should investigate the Roosevelt Bookstore prices, and make the results available to University students.

Students demand a Loyola Rights Bill

By David L. Aiken

Special to the Free Press

Students at Loyola University picketed and petitioned last week for a bill of rights, while the student newspaper clashed with the administration over censorship.

The Loyola campaign to get the administration to approve a student bill of rights came to a head Friday, Feb. 26, as more than 80 students demonstrated in front of the downtown campus of the university.

The protest action came after the university's committee on student activities refused to endorse a student-proposed charter, referring the question to another committee. Jim Masek, a leader of the student's charter committee, said this move seemed intended to stall any action on the proposal until after the leaders of the movement graduate this spring.

AAUP endorses proposal

Masek said the student charter committee had formed in Oct., 1963, and finished its work in May, 1964. The student government, and the Loyola branch of the American Association of University Professors both endorsed the proposal, with some revisions.

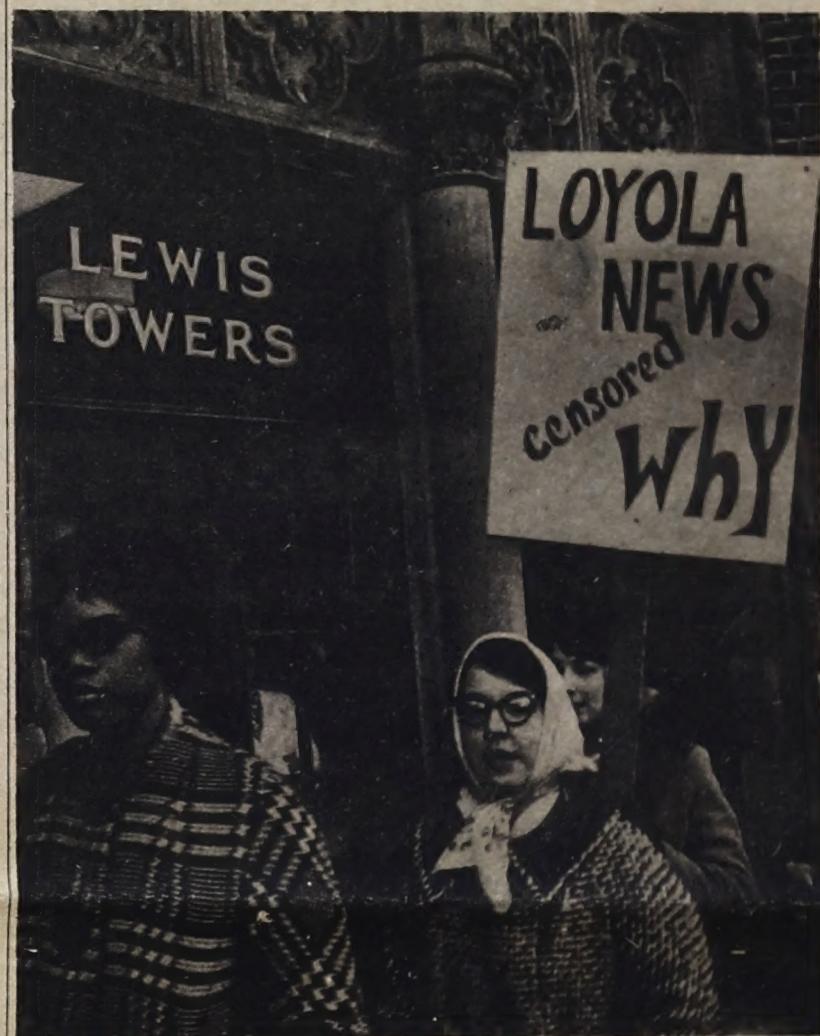
Terms of the proposed charter would include guarantees of equal rights regardless of race or religion, the right of student employees of the university to form unions, provisions concerning course materials, grading, and free discussion in classes.

One of the main provisions was for freedom of student publications from prior censorship. The Loyola News, weekly student paper, has been censored for two years, according to Masek, who is a columnist for the paper.

The dean of students office each week reads through the editorials, columns, and letters. After a cartoon appeared in the Feb. 12 issue which was offensive to administration, censorship was extended to editorial cartoons.

Not direct insult

A front-page statement from the editors in the issue of the following week, said the cartoon was not intended as "a direct insult to, or a blanket condemnation of, the entire Jesuit commu-



Sun-Times photo
Loyola Rights Bill demonstration Friday, 26

nity," as it "may have been considered by some."

Harry McCloskey, Loyola dean of students, termed the printing of the cartoon "a very regrettable action, indeed." The News had prepared an editorial and news story explaining the editorial stand on the land sale, which was to have appeared in the same issue as the front-page statement.

This was not approved for publication, however, so the News printed a gray block in place of the editorial.

In a previous instance of censorship last fall, the News was prevented from printing an editorial supporting a girl who had converted from Catholicism to

Unitarianism, but refused to sign a pledge stating she would not "proselytize." The administration finally dropped its demands of a pledge.

Not oppressive

Loyola has a total of about 11,000 students, including evening students, on two campuses in Chicago. News columnist Masek and others agreed that the academic atmosphere is not oppressive in the Jesuit institution, even though course material does adhere to Thomist doctrine. Approximately ten per cent of the student body is non-Catholic. They are required to take special "non-Catholic theology" courses instead of the theology courses required of the other students.

A question:

"Where else but at Roosevelt do you need three student newspapers?"

U.S. violates all law In Viet Nam: Morse

by David Satter

Special to the Free Press

The U.S. in Vietnam is in "violation of every principle of international law from the UN Charter to the Geneva Accord," Senator Wayne Morse (D-Oregon) said Tuesday night in University of Chicago's Mandel Hall.

Morse told a near capacity crowd that U.S. involvement in South East Asia is tantamount to international outlawry.

"The problems of Vietnam are the problems of Indo-China and are not going to be solved militarily," he said.

"The White Paper," he continued, "is as full of holes as Swiss cheese. What Washington doesn't want to admit is that this is a civil war, and weapons the Viet

U of Illinois claims 1200 tons worth of alumni on new list

Champaign, Ill. (CPS)—Allegations that the University of Illinois is a "cow college" were apparently substantiated recently when it was learned that the Alumni Association in 1963 listed 1,223 dairy cows as graduates of the university.

Names such as "Daisy," "Besie," and "Nellie" were included on the computer-prepared mailing lists the Alumni Association uses to send dues notices, Alumni Association newspapers, and other information to its members.

An official of the Statistical Service unit at the university explained that the records of the Dairy Herd Improvement Association became mixed in with the Alumni Association records in March, 1963.

The computer, in a glorious burst of individuality, prepared a mailing list with "Elsie," "Flossie," "Gertrude," and 1,220 of their bovine friends designed as university grads.

The Cattleman's Association could not be reached for comment, although it is rumored they suspect the cows are unsuspecting victims of a plot by an unhappy Illinois dropout.

The Alumni Association is said to be withholding comment until they can decide who are the cows and who are the grads.

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by Jeff Begun and Howard R. Cohen

Many worthwhile things coming up—Roland Kirk, Carlos Mantoya, "No Strings," "She Loves Me," the three plays by the National Repertory Company, the Mitchell Trio, Jo Mapes . . .

Encore Theater, in the 1400 block on Wells, has scheduled the first Chicago presentation of two musicals: "She Loves Me," and Richard Rodgers' "No Strings." Encore has departed from its weekend only format, so we suggest you call the theater, WH 4-8414, for days and times.

Two concerts close Frank Fried's folk series for this season—classical guitarist Carlos Mantoya on March 19, and the Mitchell Trio the following week. Tickets are available for both. Jo Mapes, who was recently wed to Fleming Brown, one of Chicago's better banjo pickers, is appearing next at Mother Blues, 1305 North Wells. Also on the bill is Jim Mason, formerly of the Eastgate Singers.

The Kingston Trio dropped in at the Hootenanny at Mothers' last week, but did not perform. And Bob Buchanon, one of the more ethnic regulars at the Hoots, has gotten a suit and haircut and joined the New Christy Minstrels.

"Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf" continues for another week at the Studebaker, while the National Repertory Theater, presenting "Liliom," "She Stoops to Conquer," and Ibsen's "Hedda Gabler," appears at the Blackstone for five more weeks.

The new New Wine Singers' album, "The New Wave," is now available, and features songs by contemporary folksingers and writers, including Tom Paxton and Fred Geis. Album is excellent, by the way. Unfortunate the group broke up.

Stritch, Manzello, and sax player Roland Kirk are now featured at the Plugged Nickel, also on Wells. If you haven't caught Kirk lately, by all means do so. He puts on an excellent show. New restaurant: Fisherman's Wharf, at the former site of Ceasar's and Hooley's, Wells and Willow.

Speaking (or writing) of Wells Street, as we are prone to, Aardvark Magazine has produced a book on the subject, which will be available soon. It is a satire about the places and people of Old Town. Brilliantly done (we wrote it). And a correction: Mike Bloomfield and Jos Davidson are appearing at Big John's, and not Touch of Olde. Their "Mo Jo" is a gas, whatever that is.

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FDR

The Melody Lingers On

Former Roosevelt president Robert Pitchell has departed, but it seems the ethics and tactics of vicious power struggles and internecine warfare practiced during his regime has lingered on.

The continuation of the quiet war has come to our attention through a letter we received from someone who was unwilling to sign his name.

The letter is filled with accusations about various administrators at Roosevelt and is written in a spirit of fear: fear for the future of the University, and fear for the careers of those who wish to speak out against what the author claims is happening on the eighth floor. The letter said, at one point, "There will be no dialogue at Roosevelt for the same reason this letter comes to you unsigned."

After receiving this letter, we spoke to someone on the eighth floor who substantiated some of its charges and elaborated on others.

It seems we've heard this song before.

Deplore power struggle

That there is a continuing power struggle we have no doubt, that the various factions have learned from previous indiscretions and have gained some degree of sophistication we find apparent. That we deplore this continuing state of affairs we find almost unnecessary to state.

The leak to the major press about Lynn Williams was certainly deliberate. Again, this same deliberateness is true of the information which has come to us.

And it is these same methods we find most despicable.

For the parties of the power struggle

to attempt to use students as a cover for their actions is the basest kind of behaviour. For those who oppose what is going on to send anonymous letters asking students to fight against it is the most cowardly.

Yes, we want students to be involved in the life of the University, but on the healthy and constructive level we have been speaking about for the last month.

Vicious non-wars

No, we don't want to be involved in something so destructive and irrelevant to the academic world as a vicious non-war of personal ambitions. We deplore non-wars in Viet Nam, the Muslin movement, and Roosevelt University.

To the administration and all other factions, we can only say, we hereby indict you for your continuing power struggle which is detrimental to our University.

To the author of the anonymous letter and all the rest who share his undoubtedly sincere feelings, we refer you to our editorial "The Ethic of Non-involvement" in our first issue. Further we implore you to muster your courage and speak out if you feel things are wrong.

To the University community, we say the Free Press is a serious effort to bring constructive criticism and suggestions to the University. We are willing to be used for one purpose: as an open forum for the free exchange of ideas.

It is time to find another theme song for our University. The present one has all the din and none of glory of the Overture of the War of 1812.

Letters to the Free Press

Though dissent vital, no 'freedom to err'

To the Free Press:

It has recently been written in a Free Press editorial, "Freedom to dissent and to err is acknowledged in American policy, yet this freedom is absent at Roosevelt." This statement is typical of such editorials and betrays a basic misunderstanding of the realities of freedom and the facts of university association.

THE FREEDOM to dissent, yes. Dissent is absolutely vital to a free community, whether worldwide, national, or academic. However, even in a free community, a dissenter must stand ready and willing to accept the consequences, be they just or unjust.

Supposedly, one undertakes dissent from a feeling that such action is commanded by God or the "categorical imperative" or conscience or what have you, but always that it is necessary. If so, dissent is undertaken regardless of the consequences. If not, dissent should not be undertaken, for nothing is so disgusting as hearing a weak sister whine "foul" all the time.

NOWHERE in the real world, the world outside immature fantasy, does there exist the "freedom to err." Just as a man may take pride in his right actions (whether recognized or not), so must he accept the blame for his errors (which usually are recognized). So too, the world is full of dirty fighters, and the dissenter is not often protected from them.

But, there are degrees of need for this protection. A Negro in Mississippi needs more protection than a student at Roosevelt, yet Negroes in Mississippi dissent without that protection. What is the Free Press crying about?

THE FREE PRESS editorial states, "Freedom of speech is just as effectively abridged by intimidation as by repressive legislation." Perhaps, those who can be intimidated out of their right to speak, at least in the university situation, are not fit to possess that right.

It is highly doubtful that "injustice" at Roosevelt, in more than rare instances, amounts to any more than the persecution fantasies of those too immature to face the realities of life, in which case they blame the system for their own shortcomings.

THE GOOD STUDENT is protected in three ways: He cannot be questioned in regards to his academic standing. His grade average is not greatly affected should he tangle with that rare faculty member who would lower his grade for dissenting. And, if he feels there is no other alternative, he can transfer to another school without undue difficulty.

OF COURSE, the poor student enjoys none of these protections. But then again, the poor student should be hitting the books instead of running-off at the mouth. Dissent, to be meaningful, requires understanding.

The Free Press seems to miss two points. The major goal of university association is education. True education requires only intellectual freedom; and intellectual freedom is secured by actively speaking out despite any retractions, not by a university "bill of rights."

What is needed is more serious scholarship coupled with a mature responsible student attitude toward dissent. We do not need a group of sobsters constantly moaning about how they are being denied their freedom by faculty ogres.

—PHILIP FRIEDMAN



NITE LIFE



by Jos Davidson

the next time; which, as the fates would have it, followed swiftly upon the heels of the "kaffeeklatch" affair.

Jay the pearl diver had been destined to be a pearl diver. His ancestors had all been pearl divers and, according to Roo custom, he was to inherit the occupation. But he didn't like pearl diving.

He felt he had a sensitive soul and an inquiring mind and that these attributes were wasted on an occupation whose chief activity consisted in peering into shells, digging out glop, and, very rarely, plucking a pearl from this glop.

So Jay the pearl diver decided to become a "thinker," to make the optimum use of his soul and mind. And, indeed, he became a "thinker."

Unfortunately, the market for thinkers was not very extensive in the land of Roo, for most of its citizens were quite able to do their own thinking. Soon it became apparent that Jay the "thinker" (nee pearl diver) would have to find an organization which needed his talents.

By process of elimination, he decided there was but one organization which could use his talents. This organization was GRACKLE, which was newly re-organized and needed all the "thinkers" they could get. So he applied for a "thinking" job and was immediately accepted.

Jay the "thinker's" (nee pearl divers) first official thought for GRACKLE was, "What am I doing here?" However, he decided this thought was not particularly original or constructive, and he discarded it. His next 127 thoughts were along the same line, and he became increasingly discouraged as the weeks went by.

Suddenly one day, he came up with a beaut! "Let's get 'em!" Exactly who "'em'" was he didn't quite know, but the thought was too good to lose, so he arbitrarily decided that henceforth anyone who wasn't GRACKLE was "'em."

GRACKLE was pleased with the idea and began to capitalize on it immediately. Borrowing tactics from ex-GRACS, they instituted a whispering campaign, an anonymous letter campaign, an "our official policy is non-recognition" campaign, and other similar campaigns.

Pretty soon the entire land of Roo was once again embroiled in the GRACKLE "'em'" campaign. Eds, libs, stus, facs, it made no difference. One of the official pre-GRACKLE Roo policies had been non-discrimination, and GRACKLE was determined not to discriminate—any and all were "'ems."

Jay the "Thinker" (nee pearl diver) was quite proud for having given birth to such a complete and all-encompassing thought. He never realized his monumental thought was a direct consequence of his hereditary occupation.

A pearl diver opens shells and peers into them to see what, if anything, they contain. A "thinker" (nee pearl diver) also opens shells: stus, eds, facs, or libs, and peers into them to see what they contain.

Most of them lived happily ever after because they never knew what GRACKLE was doing. And those who knew lived after.

Letters

The Free Press invites letters from readers on all subjects. Letters should be kept to 500 words or under, and the Free Press reserves the right to edit any letter for space or to reject any letters it deems libelous. All letters must be signed and must carry full identification of the writer, but names will be withheld on request.

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Police are just about the same, North and South

Jay Turner is a Roosevelt student majoring in sociology. A married student, Turner works part-time in the Roosevelt Bookstore and has a second part-time job driving a school bus. Turner is Negro.

The following is an example of the treatment accorded Negroes by Chicago police. In the context of police brutality to Negroes this is a relatively mild story. It is presented as a glimpse at the indignities suffered by the Negro people of Chicago at the hands of our police. This is Turner's story and Selma, Alabama's northern brothers.

by Jay Turner

For an arrest to take place there must be at least two parties involved: an officer of the law and another individual, not so specifically defined. The possibility of being arrested is increased by such factors as geographic area - influence and minority group characteristics; and failing to bow, scrape, and throw money. The Southern cops want, "Yes,

sir." The Northern cops want "you, sir."

Facts of the case

At approximately 3 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 13, my brother Alex and I drove our mother to the home of a sick friend with the promise to pick her up 30 minutes later. As we drove down South Yale a squad car passed us, going in the opposite direction. We proceeded to turn right onto 64th Street, and then left onto Wentworth. As we waited for a light to change at 63rd and Wentworth we were overtaken by the policemen who had driven past us.

Upon their request, Alex showed his license to the officer (Badge

6565). Then the officer requested, and was shown, the registration

for the car. He studied the door frame for the serial number. Finally he walked to the front of the car. Alex got out and asked him what was the matter. The officer ignored him and started to look for the latch to open the hood. Alex placed his hand on the car and said, "You have no right to look under the hood of my car."

A crowd had gathered by this time, but it didn't inhibit 6565. He replied to Alex with the threat to "kick his ass off" if he refused to allow him to look under the hood. Simultaneously, he put Alex in handcuffs.

At that point I got out of the car and asked the officer what was wrong. "Shut up," he explained.

He went on to say, "Put both hands on the car and empty your pockets." I was trying to secure the loose bills in my wallet when the officer shoved me against the car. I protested, and he shoved me again. By the time I regained my balance I was handcuffed. A paddy wagon and two more squad cars were called and we were subjected to a second search.

Our wrists were bound behind our backs and the cuffs were much too tight. When I asked repeatedly to have them loosened, the officer, who addressed me

as "Ace," laughed and settled into his car.

We were taken to the Racine Avenue station (a surprisingly clean jail) and processed, after being charged with disorderly conduct and interfering with an officer. Our car was towed to the city pound and damaged in the process.

My brother and I were to be held on \$25 and \$50 bonds, respectively. We were then told we made the right and left turn without signaling.

The Captain admitted the car shouldn't have been towed on so minor a charge. He added he knew there would be an immediate discharge.

Witherspoon

Letters proposing commutation of Bill Witherspoon's death sentence, to be carried out March 19, should be addressed to Governor Kerner, in care of Witherspoon's attorney.

Elmer Gertz, 120 S. La Salle street, Chicago 3, Ill.

Ad. Council frees hours

The Administrative Council last Thursday altered its previous decision to begin classes at 8 a.m. Monday, Wednesday, and Friday, which had allowed a free period of two and one half hours on Wednesday afternoon.

Following chemistry professor Harry Cohen's proposal, Monday, Wednesday, and Friday classes will meet for 50 minutes each from 8 p.m. until 12:55 a.m. After a free period of one and one half hours, classes will resume at 12:25 p.m.

Arthur E. Hoover, Dean of Students, feels the Council changed its decision partially because of Student Senate support of Cohen's proposal, and partially because of student and faculty response against its previous decision.

Senator Hillel Kliers brought Cohen's proposal before Student Senate because he felt it would "add flexibility lacking in the original schedule change."

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